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SUNSET CRATER VOLCANO NATIONAL MONUMENT

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Mr. JOHNSTON, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 2566]

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources to which was referred the bill (S. 2566) to redesignate the Sunset Crater National Monument as the Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE MEASURE

The purpose of S. 2566, as ordered reported, is to redesignate Sunset Crater National Monument in Arizona as Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument.

BACKGROUND AND NEED

The 3,000-acre Sunset Creater National Monument was established by Presidential proclamation in 1930, the preserve the Sunset Crater Volcano (which last erupted around 1100 A.D.), along with surrounding lava flows and ash fall area. The 1,000-foot cinder cone was named for its sunset colored rim by Major John Wesley Powell in 1885.

According to the National Park Service, over 80 percent of the 500,000 annual visitors to the monument arrive expecting to see a crater caused by a meteor, confusing the monument with the commercial attraction, Meteor Crater, located 40 miles east. Redesignation of the monument as Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument will minimize the confusion between the two sites and emphasize the predominant feature of the national monument.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Senator McCain introduced S. 2566 on May 2, 1990. The Subcommittee on Public Lands, National Parks and Forests held a hearing on this measure on May 17, 1990.

At the business meeting on May 23, 1990, the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources ordered S. 2566 favorably reported.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND TABULATION OF VOTES

The Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, in open business session on May 23, 1990, by a unanimous vote of a quorum present, recommends that the Senate pass S. 2566 as described herein.

The rollcall vote on reporting the measure was 19 yeas, 0 nays, as follows:

YEAS	NAYS
Mr. Johnston	
Mr. Bumpers	
Mr. Ford	
Mr. Bradley	
Mr. Bingaman [1]	
Mr. Wirth	
Mr. Conrad [1]	
Mr. Heflin [1]	
Mr. Rockefeller	
Mr. Akaka	
Mr. McClure [1]	
Mr. Hatfield [1]	
Mr. Domenici	
Mr. Wallop	
Mr. Murkowski	
Mr. Nickles	
Mr. Burns	
Mr. Garn [1]	
Mr. McConnell [1]	

[1] Indicates voted by proxy.

SUMMARY OF THE MEASURE

S. 2566 provides that on and after the date of enactment of the Act, Sunset Crater National Monument shall be known as Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument, and any reference to Sunset Crater National Monument shall be considered to be a reference to Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument.

COST AND BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS

The following estimate of the cost of this measure has been provided by the Congressional Budget Office:

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, May 24, 1990.

Hon. J. BENNETT JOHNSTON, Jr.,
Chairman, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources,
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed S. 2566, a bill to redesignate the Sunset Crater National Monument as the Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument, as ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on May 23, 1990. S. 2566 is not expected to have any impact on the federal budget or on those of state or local governments.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Deborah Reis, who can be reached at 226-2860.

Sincerely,

ROBERT D. REISCHAUER
Director.

REGULATORY IMPACT EVALUATION

In compliance with paragraph 11(b) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Committee makes the following evaluation of the regulatory impact which would be incurred in carrying out S. 2566. The bill is not a regulatory measure in the sense of imposing Government-established standards or significant economic responsibilities on private individuals and businesses.

No personal information would be collected in administering the program. Therefore, there would be no impact of personal privacy.

Little, if any, additional paperwork would result from the enactment of S. 2566, as reported.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

On May 17, 1990, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources requested legislative reports from the Department of the Interior and the Office of Management and Budget setting forth executive views on S. 2566. These reports had not been received at the time this report was filed. When the reports become available, the Chairman will request that they be printed in the Congressional Record for the advice of the Senate. The testimony provided by the Department of the Interior follows:

STATEMENT OF JAMES W. STEWART, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Mr. Chairman, I am pleased to appear before you today to testify on behalf of S. 2566, a bill to change the name of Sunset Crater National Monument to Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument.

Mr. Chairman, we recommend enactment of S. 2566.

The principal feature of this national monument is the fiery hued cone resulting from three volcanic eruptions in the San Francisco volcanic field of Arizona. This cone, cov-

ered with lava containing sulfur and iron, is so vivid that it was named Sunset Crater.

Visitors, however, confuse this volcanic crater with a privately owned and well advertised feature of the region which is a crater created by a falling meteor. The name change proposed in this bill would make it clear to visitors, prior to their trip to the site, that the national monument features the volcanic crater, and not the meteor crater.

This completes my prepared comments. I will be pleased to answer any questions you may have.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with paragraph 12 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Committee notes that no changes in existing law are made by the bill S. 2566, as reported.

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